AN ORDINANCE TO CHANGE THE RATE CHARGED FOR WATER THROUGH A SEPARATE METERING DEVICE FOR IRRIGATION SYSTEMS

WHEREAS, the City of Atlanta, as a regional water provider, has responsibility to manage water resources in order to serve over one million customers daily; and

WHEREAS, metropolitan Atlanta and the State of Georgia have experienced severe and prolonged drought conditions over the past three years; and

WHEREAS, a number of conservation measures have been put in place including Care & Conserve, Xeriscape programs and outdoor watering restrictions; and

WHEREAS, in recognition of the fact that there are limitations on our water resources and there are additional tools available to curb consumption; and

WHEREAS, the pricing structure for water, as with most commodities, can have an impact on the quantities used by consumers; and

WHEREAS, policies governing the use of water for landscape purposes are under review throughout the state and metropolitan Atlanta area; and

WHEREAS, typical conservation rate policies entail charging a "summer surcharge" or a separate, higher rate for water used solely for landscape irrigation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF ATLANTA GEORGIA AS FOLLOWS:

<u>SECTION 1:</u> That the monthly and bimonthly water rate charged on irrigation meters for customers within the City of Atlanta shall be \$2.47 per hundred cubic feet effective May 1, 2001 for all billing cycles commencing on or after May 1, 2001.

<u>SECTION 2:</u> That the monthly and bimonthly water rate charged on irrigation meters for customers of the Atlanta water system in Fulton County outside of the City of Atlanta shall be \$2.98 per hundred cubic feet effective May 1, 2001 for all billing cycles commencing on or after May 1, 2001.

<u>SECTION 3:</u> That all ordinances and parts of ordinances in conflict herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

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